Feature-Based Cellular Texturing for Architectural Models

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Introduction / Motivation

- **What is a cellular texture ?**

- **Separate overall shape of model from fine repetitive detail**

- **Patterns are affected by features of the underlying model**

- **Generate 3D cells to texture a 3D object**

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Contributions: What This Paper is About

A **strategy** for generating 3D cellular textures on a 3D model:

- An **order** of cellular texturing operations

- Pattern coordination with **occupancy maps**

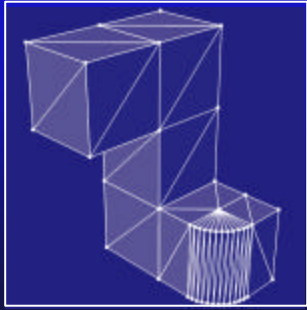- The specification of patterns with a tree of **pattern generators**

Geometry: Features

- Cells are applied to **features** of the model: **corners**, **edges**, and **faces**

- Model serves as a **scaffolding** for cells

- Features can be labeled to capture **semantic information** about the model

Low Level Mesh (Geometry)

vertices , triangle edges , & triangles

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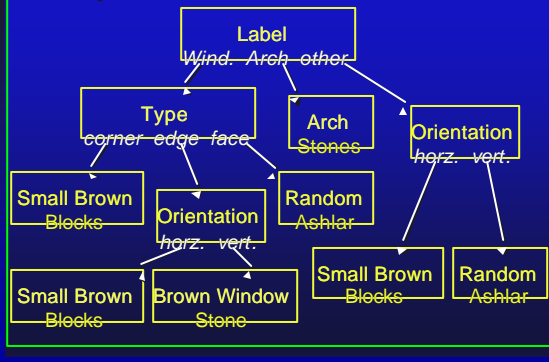
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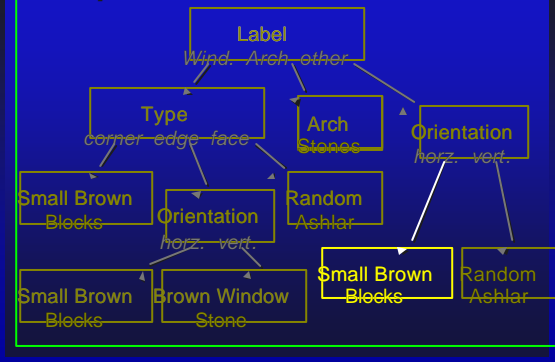
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Pattern Generators

- Units of **code** that implement patterns

- Task segmented into **three functions**: cells for corners, edges, and faces

- Can **create cells** and/or **pass features** to other pattern generators
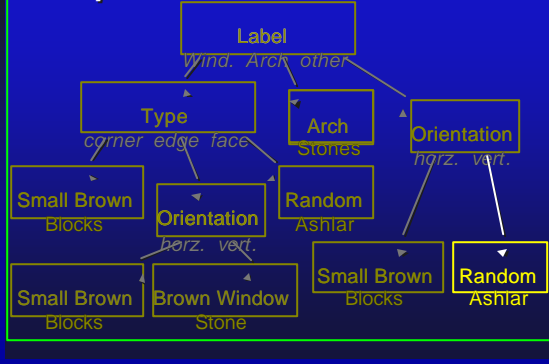
- Can make decisions based on **labels** or **geometric analysis**

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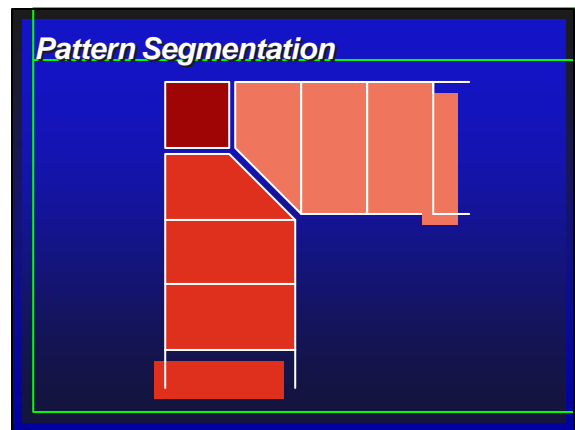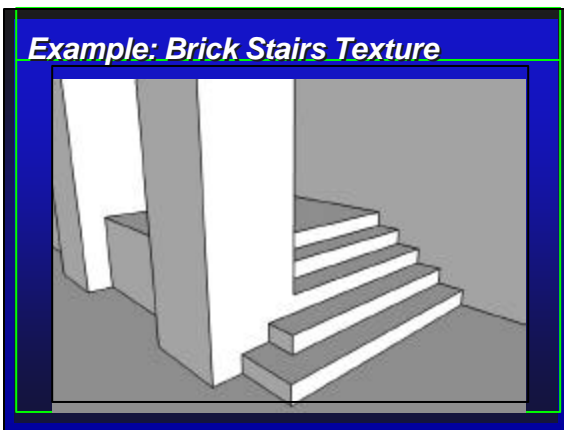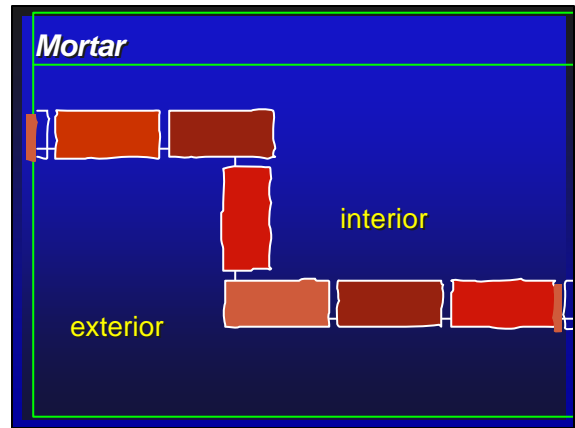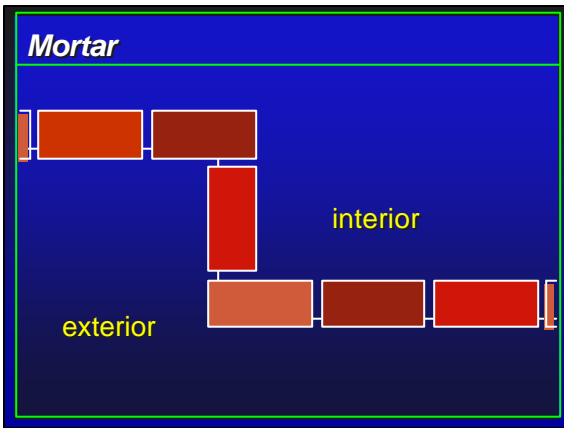

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Example: Brick Stairs Texture

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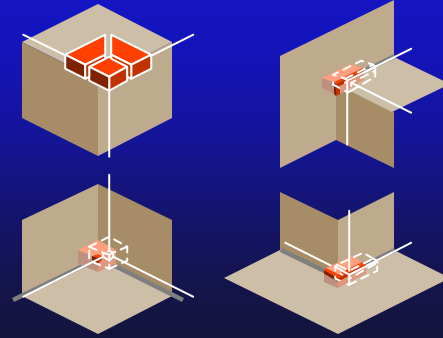
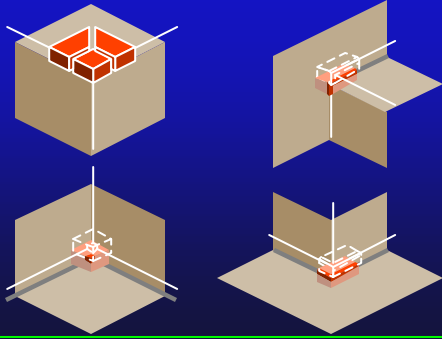**Pattern Segmentation**

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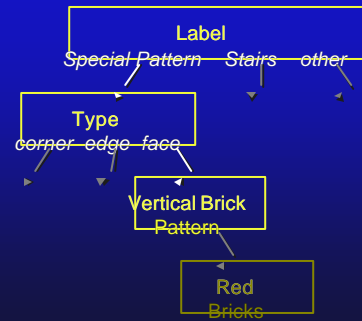
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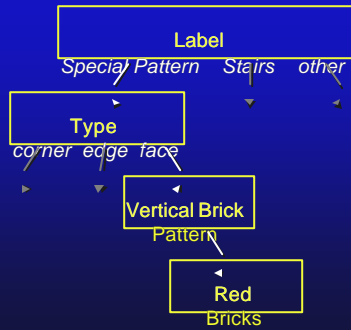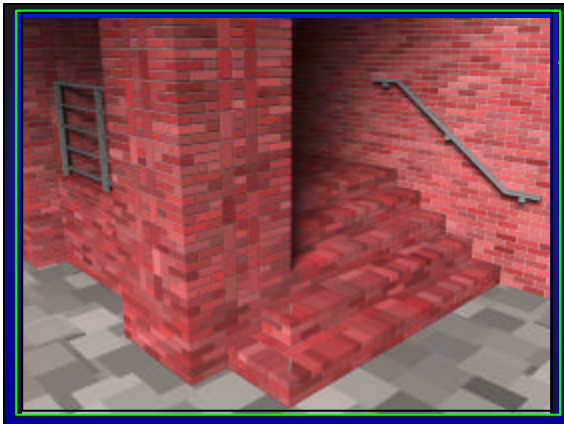**Geometric Analysis: Vertex Types**

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Summary

Algorithmically generate 3D cellular textures that are the result of both a **pattern** and the full 3D geometry of the **underlying model**

Strategy:

- Ordering: corners, edges, faces
- Occupancy maps
- Tree of pattern generators

Future Work

- Experiment with more patterns

- Higher-level specification of patterns

- Mortar

- Different feature sets

- Higher-level constraint solving

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